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TAGS: ENRG, TW

SUBJECT: USE OF U.S. FLAG SEISMIC VESSEL IN FORMOSA STRAITS

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED AN INQUIRY FROM JOHN EDEL, AN OFFICER OF WESTERN GEOPHYSICAL COMPANY STATIONED IN SINGAPORE, CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT'S POSITION ON THE USE OF U.S. FLAG VESSELS FOR SEISMIC WORK ALONG THE TAIWAN COAST.

2. ACCORDING TO MR. EDEL, WESTERN GEOPHYSICAL HAS RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM CHINA PETROLEUM COMPANY TO PROVIDE A SEISMIC VESSEL FOR WORK ALONG THE TAIWAN COAST NORTH AND EAST OF THE PESCADORES (MR. EDEL COULD NOT BE MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT THE LOCATION). THE WORK WILL BEGIN IN EARLY OCTOBER AND BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF OCTOBER.

3. IN ADDITION TO SPECIFIC COMMENTS THIS CASE, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GENERAL GUIDANCE WHICH MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO U.S. OIL EXPLORATION/ SUPPORT FIRMS HERE.  
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